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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 89 By McNally

A RESOLUTION to commend Kimberly Roush of Oak Ridge upon being named one of Tennessee's top student volunteers for 2001 by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those students who have dedicated their time and talents to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kimberly Roush, one such estimable student who is an esteemed resident of Oak Ridge and a senior at Oak Ridge High School, has achieved national recognition for her exemplary volunteer service by her receipt of the 2001 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards is a nationwide program that honors young people for outstanding acts of volunteerism and community service; and

WHEREAS, now in its sixth year, the awards program is co-sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals; and

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WHEREAS, nearly 23,000 high school- and middle school-level students were considered for recognition by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Roush earned this award by giving generously of her time and energy in hosting a mini-triathlon for middle school children to encourage them in a fun way to adopt healthy, active lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, as an honoree, Kimberly will receive an engraved bronze Distinguished Finalist medallion from Prudential at a local ceremony; and

WHEREAS, as stated by Art Ryan, Chairman and CEO of Prudential Insurance
Company of America, "These young people represent the noblest qualities of American youth.
Their commitment and accomplishments graphically demonstrate that young Americans can—
and do—play an important role in making this a better world. We are proud to honor them"; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Roush is certainly to be commended for her dedication to "making this a better world"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Ms. Kimberly Roush who use their considerable talents and resources to serve their fellow citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Kimberly Roush for her honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee and congratulate her upon being named one of Tennessee's top student volunteers for 2001 by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. We salute her unswerving commitment to living her life with courage and conviction and according to the spirit of altruism.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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